

SENATE RESOLUTION 52

By Massey

A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of Sarah Louise Hackett of Kingston.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly were greatly saddened to learn of the passing of Louise Hackett; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Hackett was an exemplary public servant and consummate professional who worked assiduously to improve the quality of life for her fellow citizens in numerous capacities; and

WHEREAS, Louise Hackett was born on April 27, 1916, in Goodwell, Oklahoma, to William Earl McCorkle and Sarah Blanche McCorkle; Louise's father was a traveling evangelist conducting revivals throughout the Midwest US; and

WHEREAS, because of her religious upbringing, Ms. Morrison continued her devotion to the faith; and

WHEREAS, she was active and devout member of Morrison Hill Christian Church, which she served faithfully for many years as a member of the choir, Sunday school teacher, youth director, and treasurer; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Hackett was the former co-owner of Kingston Printing Company, the Roane County News, and many other area weekly papers until she and her partners sold the businesses in 1976; she was a successful business owner and executive negotiating contracts and agreements during a time when women still struggled to climb the corporate ladder; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Hackett was also deeply devoted to her family, and she always endeavored to remain true to family values of the highest order; and

WHEREAS, she enjoyed the loving companionship of her husband, John Benson Hackett, for sixty-nine years, before his death in 2008, and was the proud parent of Bill, Benita, Beverly, and Bonnie; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Hackett will also be sorely missed by her surviving siblings, grandchildren, great-grandchildren, and a host of other family, friends, and loved ones; and

WHEREAS, Louis Hackett leaves behind an indelible legacy of integrity and probity in public life, compassion and loyalty in private life, and diligence and dedication in all her chosen endeavors; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that this General Assembly should pause to remember the bountiful life of this exceptional public servant and human being; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that we honor the memory of Sarah Louise Hackett, reflecting fondly upon her impeccable character and her stalwart commitment to living the examined life with courage and conviction.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we express our sympathy and offer our condolences to the family of Ms. Hackett.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.